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Grade Overview



Welcome back Year 3!

Welcome to Term Three! We hope you all had a wonderful holiday and are ready for another busy term.

What an exciting learning time we had during Term 2.

Congratulations to the students in Year Three who made their Reconciliation last term.

Our Athletics Carnival gave yet another opportunity for the students to have fun and be active.

Congratulations to all the students in Year Three who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge!

Save the Date

3rd August: P & F Bingo Night

8th August: Feast of St Mary MacKillop

14th August: ICAS Maths test

15th August: Feast of the Assumption of Mary

21st and 22nd August: Captivate Performances at Homebush

23rd August: Diocesan Athletics Carnival

28th August: Netball Gala Day

31st August: Fathers' Day Mass at 9.15

Subject Overviews



The Subject overview will give you a sense of what your children will be focusing on in class. These could be the things you talk to your child about through the term.

Religious Education

Our first topic in Religion is Mary: A Woman of Faith. We discuss and discover who Mary was. Why is she so special and how do we remember her?

Our second unit is The Wonder of God's Creation. We look at the Biblical story of creation and God's goodness and also how can we respect and protect this wonderful gift.

During Term Three we celebrate the Feast Day of our patron saint Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, the feasts of Mary MacKillop and the Assumption of Mary into Heaven.

English

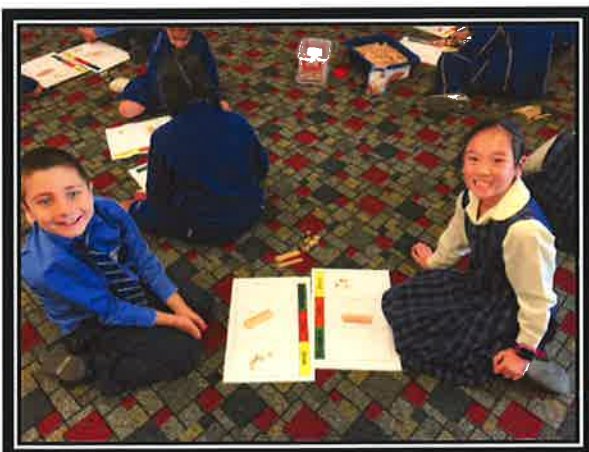
We will continue with a focus on comprehension strategies in Reading and other key learning areas. During writing this term, we will be focusing on imaginative and informative texts. Our On-Demand writing showed us what great ideas the students have for why we need our playground areas! Our word walls will focus on WOW words that we can use in our writing to make it more interesting and detailed.



Mathematics

During Mathematics this term areas covered will include multiplication and division, incorporating a Times Tables challenge as well as fractions and decimals. We will also focus on some challenging measurement tasks.

We will also begin investigating 3D and 2D space. We will continue to work on problem solving strategies within the different strands of Mathematics.



Geography



This term we will be focusing on the Australian continent, the states and territories and the natural landmarks of Australia. We will learn about the climate zones in Australia and reasons for settlement patterns. We will examine how places are similar and different and what it would be like to live in a neighbouring country. We will also research some the sacred sites within Australia and how they can be protected.

Personal Development, Health and Physical Education

During Personal Development and Health lessons we will focus on the topic: Growing and Changing. This topic explores how successes, challenges and failure strengthen our identities. The students will describe and apply strategies that can be used in situations that make them feel uncomfortable or unsafe. They will describe how respect, empathy and valuing diversity can positively influence relationships. The children will continue to have PE lessons with Mr Jones. We will also have sport sessions in which we will focus on developing skills needed for team activities.



Creative Arts

Our Creative Arts lessons will incorporate different artistic techniques related to Australian artists.

The children will continue to have drama lessons with Mrs Laus each Thursday.



General Information

Our sport days will continue to be on Thursdays and Fridays.

Please ensure that your child has pencils, a 30cm wooden ruler, **glue** and coloured pencils ready for this term.

The students are encouraged to borrow a variety of books from the school library to read each night for at least 20 minutes.

Library books are to be returned on Monday as we do our borrowing on Tuesday.

Parents if you could encourage your children to complete the Premier's Reading Challenge if they haven't yet finished.

